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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to urge you to reject the proposed settlement of the anti-trust suit against Microsoft Corporation.

The proposed settlement:

- (1) would not prevent the central ways Microsoft was found to have illegally maintained its Windows monopoly,
- (2) does nothing to restore competition in the OS market, an express Court of Appeals requirement for a Microsoft remedy,
- (3) has no provisions directed to Windows XP and other new endeavors of Micro-oft to extend and protect its monopoly to new markets in the future, another express Court of Appeals requirement for a Microsoft remedy,
- (4) contains no provision for any punitive damages against a firm which has been found to have illegally abused it's monopoly power, and
- (5) provides for an oversight body with so little real power to restrict Microsoft's future behavior, or to react to future trangressions, as to be essentially useless.

Thank you.

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